

Town of Grand Rapids Special Planning Commission Meeting

"Smart Growth & Comprehensive Planning"

Meeting minutes of Monday, September 15th, 2008. Meeting held at the Town of Grand Rapids Municipal Building located at 2410 48th Street South.

Present; Chairman Raymond Weber, Vice Chairman Tom Arnold, Rodney Dorski, Mike Speich, Eugene Zager, Lori Edwards, Commission members. Supervisors Jeanne Fehrman & Bill Clendenning, Gary Popelka, County Planning and Zoning, Lorelei Fuehrer Grand Rapids Building Inspector and Zoning administrator.

Meeting called to order by Chairman Weber at 6:30 p.m.

Meeting minutes of August 18th, 2008 was dispensed and reviewed, with a motion by Bill Clendenning & second by Lori Edwards to approve. Motion carried.

Commission reviewed new land use plan maps were handed out. Took off city well site numbers from map. Railroad right-a-way had discussion about noting its possible (proposed) future road use. Reviewed sewer service agreements of the past. It was noted that Wood County Planning controls this agreement and mapping. This land use map will represent our Town Road Map.

Economic development; Talked about all South Wood County data, and reviewed all the opportunities. Regional discussions are bringing Wood, Marathon, and Portage Counties together for improvements. Need governmental cooperation to succeed.

Commission: existing zoning map and land use map take precedent over the comprehensive review process. Any present zoning changes would have to be driven by a request, public process, and approval by Grand Rapids Town Board.

Motion by Eugene Zager and second by Lori Edwards to adjourn @ 8:38 p.m.

Next meeting Monday, October 20th, 2008 @ 6:30 p.m. Mike Speich, Secretary